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THREE CENTS

An Author To Speak

The women of the Congregational Church in Turners Falls will sponsor an unusual evening's program on Thursday, October 30, at 8 o'clock. Mrs. Robert H. Barber, of Lawrence, formerly Miss Elsie Oakes, of Riverside, Gill, niece of Mrs. Lyman Hale, Gill, with whom she made her home for 12 years, will give her lecture, "Adventures in Writing." A brief organ recital by Miss Marguerite Rist will precede her program.



Mrs. Barber's lecture is an outgrowth of the acceptance of her first book, "The Wall Between," which was one of last year's most popular novels. Hollywood producers seriously considered its adaptation to screen use and an informal story of her experiences in movieland will follow her lecture. Since many clubs and churches where she has appeared have asked her to autograph their copies of her book, she has offered to do this after the coming program, if any desire it; an opportunity will be provided at that time for meeting the young local author.

The Congregational Church, as the scene of Elsie Oakes' marriage to Robert H. Barber, of Somerville, Mass., in 1938, is a fitting setting for her first public appearance in this section as a proven author and lecturer. Members will be glad to welcome interested people of nearby towns, but it would be wise to purchase tickets in advance of the door as the auditorium is limited and seats cannot be reserved.

Mankowsky-Dunklee

Miss Alma Adelaide Dunklee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Warren B. Dunklee, of South Vernon, and Leon Constantine Mankowsky, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Mankowsky, of Northfield Upper Farms, were married Saturday, October 18, in St. John's rectory at Millers Falls by the Rev. Fr. McCormick. The double-ring service was used.

Miss Margaret Cole, of Springfield, was bridesmaid, and Joseph Mankowsky, brother of the bridegroom, was best man.

The bride wore white brocaded satin with fitted bodice and full skirt made by her mother. Her fingertip veil was caught with orange blossoms. She carried white roses and pompons.

The maid of honor wore golden nylon taffeta with sweetheart neckline, orchid veil caught with yellow flowers and matching lace mitts. She carried orchid pompons.

A reception and luncheon followed at the home of the bride in South Vernon. After their return from a wedding trip they will be given a reception at the Advent Christian Church.

The bride attended the local schools and was graduated from Brattleboro High School in 1942. She attended Westbrook Junior College in Portland, Me., one year. The bridegroom attended Northfield Schools and served three years in Europe during the recent war.

Preachers Sunday

The guest preachers at the Northfield Schools Sunday, October 26, will be Rev. Edward C. Dahl, Centre Church, Brattleboro, Vt., in Russell Sage Chapel at 11 A. M., and Dr. Levi A. Olan, Temple Emanuel, Worcester, in Memorial Chapel at 10.30 A. M.

Miss Loise Roe has closed her summer home in Pine Grove and will reside in the Chutter House during the winter months.

chase tickets in advance of the door as the auditorium is limited and seats cannot be reserved.

Any purchasers outside of Turners Falls may contact either Mrs. James A. Gunn, tel. 443, or Mrs. Lyman Hale, tel. T. F. 8151.

The Mountain Road

The North and Mountain Roads out of Erving to Northfield are in a deplorable condition. Everyone who has traveled over them knows it too well. Those who reside on the two roads and those who have to use them daily are in no happy frame of mind over conditions and give vent to their feelings in no uncertain words. They are complaining that the conditions are such that accidents may occur and that the town could be held liable.

One reason advanced for failure to repair the thoroughfares is that the prevailing rate of highway employee pay as fixed by the town is 60 cents an hour. At that rate of pay in this inflated period, there is no help available. But it also appears that by necessity the selectmen have had to raise the ante to 80 cents an hour and at that rate the hiring situation is improved. Unfortunately the town does not have enough mileage in roads to come under Chapter 81 and what work is done has to be accomplished with town or Chapter 90 funds. At any event the two mountain roads are going to pot and most everyone in Erving proper thinks that something should be done about it.

(Ed. Note—The above was printed in the Orange Enterprise and Journal, and while it speaks for Erving, Northfield is interested also.)

Miss Helen Handy is enjoying a two weeks' vacation from her work in Kenarden Hall. Mrs. George Carr will substitute for her while she is away.

X-Rays For All

"In line with its policy of offering free mass X-rays to residents of Franklin County," Dr. Merritt B. Low stated today, "the Franklin County Health Association will this fall give an opportunity for further chest X-rays to new groups." This represents an expansion of its work already begun in industrial plants and looks forward to the day when the whole community may have regular check-ups. Christmas Seal funds and help from the Massachusetts Department of Public Health and the Greenfield Visiting Nurse Association make the work possible.

Because of limited facilities the work this season will be limited to food handlers, hotel and restaurant employees, anyone whose health is a matter of general concern, because they prepare food or care for children in private home and to the faculties and personnel of the county's private schools (the public schools are at present taken care of).

Reports of negative X-rays will be sent to individuals; those showing any disease condition will be reported to the person's private physician as has been done in our factories.

X-rays will be taken at the Greenfield Fire Station on October 27, 28 and 29 and November 3 and 4.

For appointments call Greenfield 3113 between 9 A. M. and 5 P. M., or write to the Franklin County Public Health Association, 236 Main Street, Greenfield. The X-rays this year will have to be limited to the first 500 applicants.

Granddaughter Marries

Miss Helen Cutler Heiser, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Heiser, of New York City and Hope, N. J., and C. E. Stanley Bellows 3d, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Stanley Bellows, Jr., of Summit, N. J., were married in the First Presbyterian Church of Blairtown, N. J., on Saturday, October 18, by the Rev. Leonard V. Buschman, of Summit, assisted by Rev. Rodney Boaz of Blairtown.

The bride was given in marriage by her father, and her sister, Mrs. Kenneth M. Entsminger, was matron of honor. Mr. Bellows was best man for his son. There were three bridesmaids and a flower girl in a most interesting ceremony.

The bride is the granddaughter of Mrs. Henry F. Cutler and the late Dr. Cutler, former headmaster of Mount Hermon School. The family has many friends in Northfield.

Brotherhood Notice

The October meeting of the Brotherhood has been merged with the Franklin County Brotherhood meeting in the First Congregational Church, Greenfield, on Monday, October 27. Supper will be served at 5.30 and 6.30. The speaker will be the Hon. George C. Burton, New Zealand delegate to the United Nations. Mr. Burton's subject: "Working for Peace in the Present Crisis."

It is expected that many will attend from the local Brotherhood and also from the State Line Fellowship of the South Vernon Church.

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Gift In Memory

Many local folks will be interested to know that the painting, "The Conway Hills," by Lester W. Stevens, of Conway, which was recently acquired by the Northfield School for Girls, was a gift to the school from the Alumnae in memory of Miss Edna Cullen. Miss Cullen was an assistant in the purchasing department of the Northfield Schools for many years and an alumna of the school. It is also interesting to know that the picture has been hung in the Ingalls' Room which was named in honor of the former chaplain, the Rev. Harold B. Ingalls, now of New York.

At Mount Hermon

The Mount Hermon Activities Commission of the Alumni Association met at Holbrook Hall last Saturday. The members of the commission include Charles L. Drury, '32, Boston; John J. MacKay, '17, New York City; Alfred S. Hodgkins, '32, Worcester; Prof. Robert B. Parmenter, '13, Amherst; Donald S. Nesbitt, '21, Springfield, chairman; Alexander D. Gibson, '20, former Mt. Hermon faculty member and at present a teacher at Phillips Andover Academy, Andover, Mass. Also last Saturday a delegation of forty people from the Worcester-Mount Hermon Club, of which Frank P. Samuel is president, attended the Williston-Mt. Hermon football game and then had dinner at West Hall before returning to their respective homes.

Rev. and Mrs. George Poole are stationed in Quito, Ecuador, as missionaries, and he is with Station HCJB, Casilla 691. Mrs. Poole is the former Margaret Crane, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. W. Stanley Crane.

Leaves Sister Here

Miss C. Ina Merriman, of Main Street, has returned from Wilkes-Barre, Pa., where she was called by the death of her sister, Mrs. Daisy Merriman Hachita, which took place Sunday, October 5, after a long illness.

She was a member of the Central Methodist Church of Wilkes-Barre and for many years was active in civic affairs as well as in the activities of the Women's Club there.

She is survived by her husband, M. S. Hachita, of Wilkes-Barre; one son, Victor, of Cleveland, Ohio, and a sister, Miss Merriman. The funeral services were held in Wilkes-Barre and the body was brought to Northfield for burial in Center Cemetery.

The Northfield Hotel has built a double shuffle board on the green in front of the hotel for the use of their guests. It will prove a popular place for the game especially for women and those not able to chase the golf balls around the links.

The New England Poultry Association will hold their annual show at the Greenfield Fair Grounds in the new building of the 4-H on Friday and Saturday, November 14 and 15. This will afford a splendid opportunity for Northfield fanciers to attend.

The Masonic Lodge of Instruction will meet with Harmony Lodge in Masonic Hall on Parker Ave. Tuesday evening, October 28, at 8 o'clock. On Wednesday evening, October 29, will be the regular annual meeting of Harmony Lodge.

Mount Sugar Loaf Lodge of Masons, of South Deerfield, will have its visitation by deputy grand lodge officers for the 14th District this Friday evening, October 24, and several members of Harmony Lodge expect to attend.

Truism

America is still the land of opportunity, where a man can start out digging ditches and wind up behind a desk—if he doesn't mind the financial sacrifice.

Dispossessed

Juan: "Where's you been?"
Jose: "In a phone booth talking to my girl, but someone wanted to use the phone so we had to get out."

Professional Advice

A small-town gentlemen, while enjoying a convention in a large city, attended a strip-tease performance with some of the boys and the next day was obliged to go to an oculist for treatment.

"When I left the show last night," he told the oculist, "my eyes were red, sore and swollen."

The oculist examined him and said: "Well, after this try blinking once or twice during the show. You won't miss much."

Cribbed

An engineer was discovered by his wife one night standing over his baby's crib. Silently she watched him. As he stood looking down at the sleeping infant, she saw in his face a mixture of emotions—rapture, doubt, admiration, despair, ecstasy, incredulity. Touched and wondering alike at this unusual parental attitude and the conflicting emotions, the wife, with eyes glistening, slipped her arms around him.

"A penny for your thoughts," she said in a tremulous voice.

He blurted them out: "For the life of me, I can't see how anybody can make a crib like that for three forty-nine."

Friendship

Joe was dead, and John called on the widow to express his sympathy. "Joe and I were mighty close friends," John said. "Isn't there something I could have to remember him by?" Tearfully she raised her eyes and whispered softly, "Would I do?"

Not Coney Island

The man from the Bronx was wandering on the Sahara Desert, clad only in his underpants when he met an Arab striding along in great haste.

"Where," asked the Arab, "might you be going?"

"For a swim," said the Bronxite. "A swim, effendi?" was the astonished reply. "Why, the ocean is 800 miles from here."

The man from the Bronx blinked. "800 miles! Wow! Is dis a beach!"

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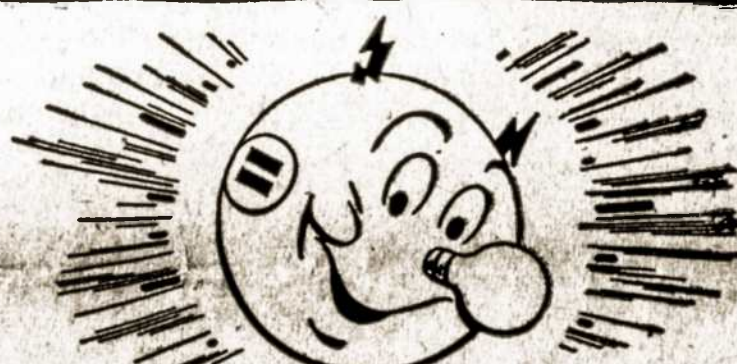
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Rev. E. W. Blackstone, pastor of the South Vernon Church, accompanied by his mother, is spending a few days with relatives in Maine.

The Evening Alliance of the Unitarian Church will hold a supper in the vestry the evening of Wednesday, November 5.

Town Topics

Born to Mr. and Mrs. David C. Elington, of Moylan, Pa., a son, Steven Elington, on Tuesday, October 14, in Philadelphia. This is their third son.

The Woman's Alliance of the Unitarian Church will hold their next program meeting on Thursday afternoon, November 13, at the church at 2:30 o'clock, when Kurt Loewus will speak on Austria. The hostesses will be Mrs. Charles Leach and Mrs. Joseph Morgan.

On Rustic Ridge the summer season has closed and practically every home is closed except "The Nest," occupied by Miss Ninnie Erb. Miss Erb wants to remain a while to enjoy the unusually fine weather even to carrying spring water if the water mains are shut off.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Carr, of Winchester Road, have returned from a two weeks' vacation spent with relatives "down on the cape" and in New York State. Mr. Carr, who had been quite ill, is much improved in health.

Gaylord W. Douglass was the guest speaker at Cushing Academy in Ashburnham at the vesper service last Sunday afternoon. Recently he was also the speaker at the weekly luncheon meeting of the Kiwanis Club at Holyoke.

There will be a harvest dance in the Town Hall this Friday evening sponsored by the senior class of the high school to aid its fund for the Washington trip. Dancing will be from 8 to 12 and music will be furnished by the Bargerons. David Quinn is chairman of the committee in charge. Tickets are available from class members.

Mrs. Roy Barrows, of Winchester Road, was the hostess for the meeting of the Freindly Class of the Congregational Church last Monday evening. There was a "white elephant" sale in connection with the meeting.

Rev. Lester P. White, alumni secretary of Mount Hermon School, was the preacher last Sunday at Metcalf Memorial Church in Warwick.

Mrs. Florence Russell, of Greenfield, who with her family have occupied Pine Needle Lodge in Pine Grove this summer have returned to Greenfield.

Don't forget to get your commemorative postage stamp of the U. S. Frigate, Constitution, for sale now at all post offices. Get a generous supply and use them freely.

The Franklin County Farm Bureau has opened its annual campaign for members interested in farming in the county and already there has been a satisfactory response. The annual meeting will be held soon and George W. Carr, of this town, and Charles Mayberry, of Mount Hermon, are members of the nominating committee. The State Farm Bureau meeting will be held in Worcester on November 20.

A number of teachers in Christian education in the Sunday schools of our churches are attending the sessions of the training school being held in Greenfield.

Rev. Dr. C. O. Farnham, of Torrington, Conn., pastor of the Advent Christian Church here, died recently. He was well known at South Vernon because of his interest in the Vernon Home and local church, and was a brother of Mrs. Ernest Dunkle. For 25 years he was president of the Alton Bay Advent Christian Camp Association.

Ker-Choo

"Let me kiss the tears away, Sweetheart," he begged tenderly. She fell into his arms, but the tears flowed on. "Can nothing stop them?" he asked breathlessly.

"No," she murmured. "It's hay fever, but go on with the treatment."

How About a Hobby

"What's your son doing now, Mrs. Jones?"

"Why, he's a coin box collector."

"Well, it's nice he has a hobby. My Jimmy collects stamps."

Understanding

Janet: "He's always a perfect gentleman when he's with me."

Mary: "He bores me, too."

Philosophy

Discretion is something that comes to a person after he is too old for it to do him any good.

The Ticket Will Tell

A distinguished professor, making a journey by rail, was unable to find his ticket when the inspector asked for it.

"Never mind, professor," said the official who knew him well. "I'll get it on my second round."

However, when the inspector passed through the coach again the ticket was still missing.

"Oh, well, professor, it will be all right if you never find it," the inspector assured him.

"No, it won't," contradicted the professor. "I've got to find that ticket. I want to know where I'm going."

Gun Fun

Around the table in the back of a saloon were gathered as tough a gang of men as could be found. The game was fast and furious; the stakes were high.

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Poles for telephone and electric light wires are being set to extend the service to all permanent residents in Mountain Park. Within the year several summer homes have been converted to all-year use.

Mr. and Mrs. James McRoberts, of New York, spent a few days here while on their honeymoon. They were registered at the Northfield Hotel.

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Town Topics

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Rev. and Mrs. Loring Chase, who have been at their summer cottage in the Highlands, have closed the same and returned to their home in Lake Como, Fla.

It was a most interesting and pleasing musicale given in Sage Chapel of the Northfield School for Girls last Sunday afternoon by the music department. Miss Marian Keller and Miss Gloria Savcheff rendered selections on the organ and piano and Miss Viva Faye Richardson was accompanist. The guest soprano was Miss Adele Addison, of Springfield, and her singing won the highest appreciation of all attending.

Mrs. Sarella H. Miller, of this town, will spend the winter with her sister, Mrs. S. Roy Lockwood, of Oswego, N. Y. Another sister, Mrs. Lillian Fitzpatrick, recently visited her and together they made the trip by auto.

A daughter, Martha Ann, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Miller, of Lorain, Ohio, on Sunday, October 5. Mr. Miller was a former resident of this town and his mother is Mrs. Sarella H. Miller.

Members of the Gideons held a business meeting with program at the home of Hermon L. Dickson, at Mount Hermon Tuesday evening. The Gideons are doing a fine work in this area.

Mrs. L. P. Sibley, en route to spend the winter in Florida, was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Goodspeed for a short stay last week.

The school for dancing conducted by Mrs. Keith Jacobus at the Town Hall opened its sessions last Saturday with a good attendance at the various classes.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Ridlon of Concord, N. H. were visitors at their cottage in the Pine Grove section last weekend.

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Harris Writes Us

Laurie Harris, of Bernardston, formerly of this town, speaks to us as follows:

"Having been recently discharged from the hospital, I am returning to my duties at Powers Institute and I would like to take this opportunity to thank the multitude of people who shared in promoting the baseball game between Northfield and Hinsdale for the purpose of covering hospital and medical expense incurred through my unique accident on Labor Day.

"My special thanks goes to both Northfield and Hinsdale teams for their willingness to not only play the game but pay for the privilege through purchase of tickets.

"Dr. W. F. Dean and Dr. Harold Lee, of Boston, have my gratitude for their attention to the injury, which might easily have resulted in the loss of an arm. The Franklin County League team and the Millers Falls P. A. C., as well as the host of friends who remembered me while in the hospital with cards, fruit and flowers, have my heartfelt thanks.

"I look upon my association with the Northfield baseball team, participating against other teams of this area, as one of my treasured memories, for when the chips are really down the entire group exemplify true sportsmanship. Thanks again to all who helped."

The Grange held a well attended military whist party in the Grange Hall Monday evening. Mrs. Pearl Allen and Miss Marion Allen were in charge.

The painting of the Town Hall both inside and out by Barfitt Brothers is a fine job. The hall presents a clean and attractive appearance and should be so maintained by those who use it.

Town Topics

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Thompson, who have been spending some time at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Van Phelan on Main Street, left last Tuesday morning for their future home in California. They will make the trip by auto in easy stages. Mrs. Thompson is much improved in health since her serious illness in a Boston hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank N. Ray, of Rumford, R. I., who have occupied their summer place in Mountain Park this season, have returned to their home but trust to run up again for a short visit before the snow flies.

The cottage on Hermon Hill being built for Mr. and Mrs. David Stevens is rapidly nearing completion and they expect to take possession and move in about December 1. Their present small home which they occupy in Mountain Park will be closed and in the spring will be renovated for summer rental.

The board of directors of the Vernon Home recently held a scheduled meeting to transact considerable business. The affairs of the "home" were found to be in a satisfactory condition.

A new concrete sidewalk is being laid along the east side of Main Street from Warwick Ave. in front of the Proctor block to the Youth Hostel. The town is providing for the same from the appropriation made at the annual town meeting in February.

For more than 25 years the late Rev. David Otis Cowles has been a summer resident of East Northfield and he looked upon Northfield as his home. He purchased the summer residence of the late Fleming H. Revell in Pine Grove many years ago and it has always been occupied by members of his family.

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Announce Marriage

The marriage of Mrs. Frances Harrison, of Spring Lake, N. J., and James McRoberts, of Brooklyn, N. Y., took place in the Episcopal Church at Sea Girth, N. J., on Thursday, October 2, with Rev. Fred Miller the officiating minister. Mrs. M. Robbins and Carl McRoberts were the attendants. Mr. McRoberts is a former summer resident in East Northfield and he is the administrator of the estate of his late parents, well known in Northfield. The summer home of the family was located here in Mountain Park.



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Above—GMC's new cab has 8 inches more seating width . . . thick upholstery and padding . . . 73 individually wrapped seat springs.

Below—GMC's revolutionary new ventilation system provides scientific fresh air circulation plus filtered, forced air heating if desired.

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